

Data Source Documentation

Indicator	Motor vehicle deaths, age-adjusted rates
Demographic Group	Wisconsin residents
Numerator	Deaths due to motor vehicle traffic crashes
Denominator	Wisconsin population
Age Adjustment	<p>Age-adjusted rates are used to compare relative risks among groups and over time; they represent relative indexes and are not actual measures of risk. Age-adjusted rates shown in the data tables were computed by applying age-specific rates in the population of interest to the 2000 U.S. standard population (i.e., the age distribution of the 2000 projected U.S. population).</p> <p>Rates for total deaths and deaths by sex and race/ethnicity are age-adjusted. Rates for deaths by age group are age-specific, not age-adjusted.</p>
Details about Data Item	<p>Deaths due to motor vehicle traffic crashes were selected if they met both of the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wisconsin resident. 2. Underlying cause of death was within the following ICD-10 codes. Parentheses indicate the fourth digit of the code. Motor vehicle traffic - Occupant V30-V39 (.4-.9), V40-V49 (.4-.9), V50-V59 (.4-.9), V60-V69 (.4-.9), V70-V79 (.4-.9), V83-V86 (.0-.3) Motor vehicle traffic - Motorcyclist V20-V28 (.3-.9), V29 (.4-.9) Motor vehicle traffic - Pedal cyclist V12-V14 (.3-.9), V19 (.4-.6) Motor vehicle traffic - Pedestrian V02-V04 (.1, .9), V09.2 Motor vehicle traffic – Other, Unspecified V80(.3-.5), V81.1, V82.1, V87(.0-.8), V89.2 <p>Race/ethnicity categories are mutually exclusive.</p>
Reference Time Period	Calendar year
Data Source	<p>Wisconsin resident death certificates, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.</p> <p>Chapter 69, Wisconsin Statutes, authorizes the Department of Health and Family Services to supervise the collection of vital statistics death data. The statute defines that the filing party (usually a funeral director) must present a certificate of death to the physician or medical examiner who is responsible for completing and signing the medical</p>

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	<p>certification, and that the local Register of Deeds or City Health Department must collect and file the certificates for deaths that occur in their jurisdictions.</p> <p>The annual report <i>Wisconsin Deaths</i> and the WISH data query system can be accessed at http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/deaths/index.htm.</p>
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